House File 344 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 344 BY HAGENOW

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to recovery of prejudgment interest in relation
- 2 to an offer to confess judgment.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

H.F. 344

- Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **677.10A Prejudgment interest.**2 If any offer to confess judgment is made under this chapter
- 3 and is not accepted, and a subsequent trial results in a
- 4 judgment which is less than the offer to confess judgment,
- 5 prejudgment interest shall not be calculated or be subject to
- 6 recovery after the date of the offer to confess judgment.
- 7 EXPLANATION
- 8 This bill limits recovery of prejudgment interest in any
- 9 pending or proposed action where an offer to confess judgment
- 10 is made, but is not accepted, and a subsequent trial results in
- 11 a judgment that is less than the amount in the offer to confess
- 12 judgment. In such a case, no prejudgment interest is to be
- 13 calculated or is recoverable after the date of the offer to
- 14 confess judgment.